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Interstate 5 South Corridor Improvement Projects

## I-5 South Corridor - FULL FREEWAY CLOSURES

A Series of Brief, Intermittent Nightly Closures between Valley View and Carmenita

La Mirada and Santa Fe Springs –Caltrans will conduct a series of brief, intermittent, FULL FREEWAY closures in the early morning hours on northbound and southbound Santa Ana Freeway (I-5) between Valley View Avenue and Carmenita Road from Tuesday, September 11 through Friday, September 14, from 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. The work involves relocating utility lines across the freeway. Southern California Edison will perform the work, with Caltrans oversight, as part of the I-5 HOV Widening and Carmenita Road Interchange Project.

California Highway Patrol will conduct traffic breaks for these FULL closures. Each FULL FREEWAY closure – three or four per night in each direction – will last approximately 10 to 12 minutes and are scheduled to take place at hourly intervals. The nightly schedule is as follows:

- Tuesday, September 11 at 1 a.m. to 5 a.m.
- Wednesday, September 12 at 1 a.m. to 5 a.m.
- Thursday, September 13 at 1 a.m. to 5 a.m.

### **Northbound I-5**

The traffic breaks will occur just before Valley View Avenue. Motorists have the option to exit at Valley View Avenue and re-enter northbound I-5 at the Rosecrans Avenue on-ramp.

### **Closed Ramps:**

Northbound I-5 on-ramp at Alondra Boulevard will be closed at all times.

Northbound I-5 on-ramp at Valley View Ave. will be closed intermittently to coincide with mainline closures.

#### Southbound I-5

The traffic breaks will occur just before Carmenita Road. Motorists have the option to exit at Carmenita Road and re-enter the southbound I-5 on-ramp at the Valley View Avenue.

#### **Closed Ramps:**

The southbound I-5 on-ramp at Carmenita Road will be closed at all times.

The closures are weather-permitting and are subject to cancellation. Suggested detours will be posted.

The I-5 South Corridor Improvement Projects will construct one carpool and one general purpose lane in each direction, realign and upgrade adjacent frontage roads, and reconstruct bridges from the Los Angeles/Orange County line to Interstate 605. Two projects are currently in construction: Carmenita Road Interchange (\$380 million/contractor Flatiron), and the Alondra Boulevard Bridge (\$110 million/contractor C.C. Myers, Inc.).

By 2013, six corridor widening projects will be in construction simultaneously.

Information about the I-5 South Corridor Improvement Projects is available from the toll-free I-5 Hotline (855) 454-6335 or <a href="https://www.l-5info.com">www.l-5info.com</a>

